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SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, அவர்கள் வீட்டு வாடகையைக் குறைத்துக் கொடுக்கவேண்டுமென்றதொரு கோரிக்கையை கொடுத்திருக்கருர்களா ? அப்படியானால் அதற்காகச் சர்க்கார் என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுத்திருக்கிறதென்று கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொல்வார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" In the papers which I have with me, I see that one of their demands relate to the provision of certain housing facilities. It does not relate to the reduction of rent."

Investigation into the murder of one K. Nataraja Gownder, Kalathur, Coimbatore.

* 911 *Q.*—SRI C. KANDASAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a representation, dated 17th December 1953, from the Pollachi Taluk Vivasaigal Sangam regarding the irregularities in the investigation into the murder of one K. Nataraja Gownder of Kalathur village of Puravipalayam zamin in Pollachi taluk, Coimbatore district; and

(*b*) if so, what action was taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) The Government received a petition mentioning this crime and making some general allegations against the police.

" (*b*) Reports were obtained from the Inspector-General of Police about the allegations made therein and also about the progress of investigation in the murder case mentioned in the petition. A case is pending in the Court now, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The matter is *sub judice.*"

Misconduct of the Prohibition staff.

* 912 *Q.*—SRI V. R. KRISHNA IYER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many cases of misconduct on the part of the Prohibition staff were reported during the years 1952–53 and 1953–54; and

(*b*) how many of them were punished?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) The number of cases of misconduct on the part of the Prohibition Staff reported during 1952–53 is 338 and during 1953–54 is 273.

" (*b*) The number of the Prohibition staff punished during 1952–53 is 259 and during 1953–54 is 161."

SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR :—" What is the nature of misconduct in these cases? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" I want notice, Sir."